## **ABSTRACT**

A joint section where covering films 2a, 2b of film-covered battery 1 are heat-sealed together is formed with flat surface 6' having thickness  $t_1$  and groove 6 having thickness  $t_2$ . Groove 6 serves to reduce the projection area of film-covered battery 1 by folding side 2c toward receiving section 2a1 with groove 6 serving as an edge, and groove 6 is made thinner than flat surface 6' by  $\Delta t = t_1 - t_2$ . Therefore, the length of covering films 2a, 2b produced on outer side 6a is shortened as compared with the case of folding the portion that has thickness  $t_1$ .

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